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TRANSMITTAL LETTER	
Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231	
SIR: Transmitted herewith for filing is: <x> Preliminary Amendment dated March 18, 20004 (11 pages) (X) The applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to any Office Action outstanding in the above captioned matter as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application. Please charge my deposit account No.11-0224 in the amount required to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above account. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16, and 1.17, after a mailing of a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights. () Please charge my Deposit Account No.11-0224 in the amount of \$</x>	
the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage, as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks! Washington, D.C. Signature: Date: MAR: 2 2 2004 *%Pcil:d:trans1(SOR203T4(March 22, 2004(mm/am)	

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<u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u>

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This is a preliminary amendment to provide certain corrections in the above captioned patent application. The applicants petition that, if required, the time for response be extended and the corresponding fee be charged. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Acct. No. 11-0224. The Applicants further respectfully request that this response be accepted as a bona fide effort to meet any potential response requirements outstanding and due in the above captioned matter.

Please amend the application as follows: